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By Senator Finkbeiner

1 On page 23, strike all of section 12 and insert the following:

2 **Sec. 12.** RCW 42.17.680 and 2002 c 156 s 1 are each amended to read
3 as follows:

4 (1) No employer or labor organization may increase the salary of an
5 officer or employee, or give an emolument to an officer, employee, or
6 other person or entity, with the intention that the increase in salary,
7 or the emolument, or a part of it, be contributed or spent to support
8 or oppose a candidate, state official against whom recall charges have
9 been filed, political party, or political committee.

10 (2) No employer or labor organization may discriminate against an
11 officer or employee in the terms or conditions of employment for (a)
12 the failure to contribute to, (b) the failure in any way to support or
13 oppose, or (c) in any way supporting or opposing a candidate, ballot
14 proposition, political party, or political committee. At least
15 annually, an employee from whom wages or salary are withheld under
16 subsection (3) of this section shall be notified of the provisions of
17 this subsection.

18 (3) No employer or other person or entity responsible for the
19 disbursement of funds in payment of wages or salaries may withhold or
20 divert a portion of an employee's wages or salaries for contributions
21 to political committees or for use as political contributions except
22 upon the written request of the employee. The request must be made on
23 a form prescribed by the commission informing the employee of the
24 prohibition against employer and labor organization discrimination
25 described in subsection (2) of this section. The employee may revoke
26 the request at any time. At least annually, the employee shall be
27 notified about the right to revoke the request.

28 (4) Each person or entity who withholds contributions under
29 subsection (3) of this section shall maintain open for public
30 inspection for a period of no less than (~~three~~) three and one half
31 years, during normal business hours, documents and books of accounts
32 that shall include a copy of each employee's request, the amounts and

1 dates funds were actually withheld, and the amounts and dates funds
2 were transferred to a political committee. Copies of such information
3 shall be delivered to the commission upon request.

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EFFECT: Increases holding period for employee requests to withhold or divert employee wages or salaries for contributions to political committees or for use as political contributions from three years to three and a half years.